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RE: Alaska Qualified Certification of Support for High Cost Eligible Telecommunications Carriers  
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, WC Docket No. 10-90.

To the Filing Representatives:

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) hereby certifies, based on self-certifying affidavits filed with it by the Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) it has designated, that all federal high cost support provided to ETCs in Alaska during 2015, and that will be provided during 2017, either has been or will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e). Accompanying this certification is Attachment A, a list of carriers currently designated as ETCs by the RCA pursuant to its authority under 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2), along with each carrier's assigned study area code, if known.

This certification pertains to all RCA-designated ETCs, but in no way precludes the RCA from reviewing in further detail how any carrier has deployed its federal universal service support, nor from ordering the support be used in conformance with RCA directives or policies. This certification similarly does not bind the RCA in any future or pending matters before it involving any carrier to which this certification applies.

Sincerely,

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

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ATTACHMENT A

| ETC Name   | Study Area Code  | USAC Study Area Name  | ETC Type |                               |
|--|--|---|----------|-------------------------------|
| ACS of Alaska, LLC   | 613022<br>613012   | ACS-AK Greatland<br>ACS-AK Juneau   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| ACS of Anchorage, LLC                                      | 613000   | ACS of Anchorage  | ILEC     | Non-Rural                     |
| ACS of Fairbanks, LLC                                      | 613008   | ACS-Fairbanks, Inc.   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| ACS of the Northland, LLC                                  | 613010<br>613020   | ACS-N Glacier State<br>ACS-N Sitka  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Adak Eagle Enterprises<br>d/b/a/ Adak Telephone<br>Utility | 610989   | Adak Tel. Utility   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Alaska Telephone<br>Company                                | 613017   | Alaska Tel. Co.<br>(All exchanges served, including previous GTE<br>Exchanges)  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Arctic Slope Telephone<br>Association Cooperative,<br>Inc. | 613001   | Arctic Slope Tel.   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Bettles Telephone, Inc.                                    | 613002   | Bettles Tel. Co. Inc.   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Bristol Bay Telephone<br>Cooperative, Inc.                 | 613003   | Bristol Bay Tel Coop.   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Bush-Tell  | 613004   | Bush-Tell Inc.  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Circle Telephone and<br>Electric, LLC                      | 613005   | Circle Utilities  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Cordova Telephone<br>Cooperative, LLC                      | 613007   | Cordova Tel. Coop.  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Copper Valley Telephone<br>Cooperative, Inc.               | 613006   | Copper Valley Tel.  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| GCI Communications<br>Corp.<br>SAC # 619001 <sup>1</sup>   | 613000<br>613001<br>613007<br>613006<br>613008<br>613010<br>613022<br>613012<br>613013<br>613015 | ACS of Anchorage<br>Arctic Slope Tel.<br>Cordova Tel. Coop.<br>Copper Valley Telephone<br>ACS-Fairbanks, Inc.<br>ACS-N Glacier State<br>ACS-AK Greatland<br>ACS-AK Juneau<br>Ketchikan Public UT<br>Matanuska Tel. Assoc. | CLEC     | Rural<br>and<br>Non-<br>Rural |
| Interior Telephone<br>Company, Inc.                        | 613011   | Interior Tel. Co. Inc.<br>(All Exchanges served, including previous GTE<br>areas of Seward/Moose Pass)  | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Ketchikan Public Utilities                                 | 613013   | Ketchikan Public UT   | ILEC     | Rural                         |
| Matanuska Telephone  | 613015   | Matanuska Tel. Assoc.   | ILEC     | Rural                         |

<sup>1</sup> Although GCI continues to report all wireline lines (in both AK remote and AK non-remote areas as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.307(e)(3)(i)) under SAC number 619001, since January of 2012, USAC no longer reports GCI's AK non-remote wireline disbursements under SAC number 619001; instead USAC reports GCI's AK non-remote wireline disbursements under SAC number 989004.

| ETC Name  | Study Area Code  | USAC Study Area Name   | ETC Type |                   |
|---|--|--|----------|-------------------|
| Association, Inc.   |  |  |          |                   |
| Mukluk Telephone Company, Inc.  | 613016   | Mukluk Tel. Co. Inc.   | ILEC     | Rural             |
| North Country Telephone, Inc.   | 613026   | North Country Tel. Co.   | ILEC     | Rural             |
| Nushagak Electric & Telephone Cooperative, Inc.                         | 613018   | Nushagak Elec. & Tel.  | ILEC     | Rural             |
| OTZ Telephone Cooperative, Inc.   | 613019<br>619011   | OTZ Tel. Cooperative<br>OTZ Telecommunications, Inc.   | ILEC     | Rural             |
| Summit Telephone and Telegraph Company of Alaska, Inc.                  | 613028   | Summit Tel. & Tel-AK   | ILEC     | Rural             |
| United-KUC, Inc.  | 613023   | United Utilities Inc. (United KUC) <sup>2</sup>  | ILEC     | Rural             |
| United Utilities, Inc.  | 613023   | United Utilities Inc.  | ILEC     | Rural             |
| Yukon Telephone Company   | 613025   | Yukon Tel. Co. Inc.  | ILEC     | Rural             |
| ACS Wireless, Inc. <sup>3</sup>   | 613000<br>613017<br>613006<br>613008<br>613010<br>613022<br>613012<br>613013<br>613015 | ACS of Anchorage<br>Alaska Tel. Co.<br>Copper Valley Tel.<br>ACS-Fairbanks, Inc.<br>ACS-N Glacier State<br>ACS-AK Greatland<br>ACS-AK Juneau<br>Ketchikan Public UT<br>Matanuska Tel. Assoc. | CMRS     | Rural & Non Rural |
| ASTAC Wireless, LLC<br>SAC# 619010                                      | 611449<br>613001   | Former GTE Exchange of Barrow<br>Arctic Slope Tel.   | CMRS     | Rural             |
| Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership  | 619008<br>613018   | Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership<br>Nushagak Elec. & Tel.  | CMRS     | Rural             |
| Copper Valley Wireless, LLC<br>Tribal Mobility SAC#s<br>618306 - 618316 | 619006<br>613006<br>613007   | Copper Valley Wireless<br>Copper Valley Telephone<br>Cordova Tel. Coop.  | CMRS     | Rural             |
| Cordova Wireless Communications, LLC                                    | 619007<br>613010   | Cordova Tel. Coop.<br>ACS-N Glacier State (Yakutat only)   | CMRS     | Rural             |
| New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC<br>d/b/a<br>AT&T Mobility                | 613000<br>613022<br>613012<br>613008   | ACS of Anchorage<br>ACS-AK Greatland<br>ACS-AK Juneau<br>ACS-Fairbanks, Inc.   | CMRS     | Rural & Non Rural |

<sup>2</sup> United Utilities, Inc. and United KUC are separate but affiliated entities with separate intrastate study areas and separate ETC designations; however, for high cost purposes they are designated as a single study area by USAC and the FCC.

<sup>3</sup> ACS Wireless completed an asset transfer and customer migration in February of 2015 and received high cost support through the first quarter of 2015. The Commission's certification for this carrier is therefore limited only use of support in the prior year (2015). ACS Wireless filed a petition to relinquish its wireless ETC designation that the Commission has granted. See Order U-15-110(2), *Order Granting Request to Relinquish ETC Designation and Closing Docket*, dated January 20, 2016.

| ETC Name   | Study Area Code  | USAC Study Area Name   | ETC Type |                   |
|--|--|--|----------|-------------------|
| SAC# 619004, 989001  | 613010<br>613017<br>613006<br>613013<br>613015   | ACS-N Glacier State<br>Alaska Tel Co.<br>Copper Valley Telephone<br>Ketchikan Public UT<br>Matanuska Tel. Assoc.   |          |                   |
| GCI Communications Corp.<br>(as a wireless provider)<br>SAC # 619014 <sup>4</sup><br>-<br>Mobility SAC #s<br>618001 – 618218<br>-<br>Tribal Mobility SAC #s<br>618317 - 618367 | 610989<br>613000<br>613001<br>613003<br>613004<br>613007<br>613006<br>613008<br>613010<br>613022<br>613011<br>613012<br>613013<br>613015<br>613016<br>613017<br>613018<br>613019<br>613020<br>613023<br>613023<br>613025 | Adak Tel. Utility<br>ACS of Anchorage<br>Arctic Slope Tel.<br>Bristol Bay Tel. Coop.<br>Bush-Tell<br>Cordova Tel. Coop.<br>Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative Inc.<br>ACS-Fairbanks, Inc.<br>ACS-N Glacier State<br>ACS-AK Greatland<br>Interior Tel. Co. Inc.<br>ACS-AK Juneau<br>Ketchikan Public UT<br>Matanuska Tel. Assoc.<br>Mukluk Tel. Co. Inc.<br>Alaska Tel. Co.<br>Nushagak Elec. & Tel.<br>OTZ Tel. Cooperative<br>ACS-N Sitka<br>United Utilities Inc.<br>United Utilities Inc. (United KUC) <sup>5</sup><br>Yukon Tel. Co. Inc. | CMRS     | Rural & Non Rural |
| MTA Communications, LLC, d/b/a MTA Wireless  | 619003   | Matanuska-Kenai, Inc.  | CMRS     | Rural             |
| TelAlaska Cellular, Inc.   | 619013   | TelAlaska Cellular, Inc.   | CMRS     | Rural             |
| OTZ Telecommunications, Inc.   | 619011<br>613019   | OTZ Telecommunications, Inc.<br>OTZ Telephone Cooperative  | CMRS     | Rural             |
| Windy City Cellular, LLC   | 619012   | Windy City Cellular  | CMRS     | Rural             |

<sup>4</sup> Although GCI continues to report all wireless lines (in both AK remote and AK non-remote areas as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.307(e)(3)(i)) under SAC number 619014, since January of 2012, USAC no longer reports GCI's AK non-remote wireless disbursements under SAC number 619014; instead USAC reports GCI's AK non-remote wireless disbursements under SAC number 989007. In addition, USAC now reports AK non-remote wireless disbursements for certain other wireless carriers using the following SAC numbers: AT&T Mobility, 989001; MTA Wireless, 989005; and ACS Wireless, 989006.

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